ARINE LIFESTYLES

January 25, 2002 Hawaii Marine B Section



Patrons cruise on all-terrain vehicles in one of the many ways to explore Kualoa.

Kualoa:

An oasis of family fun

Story and Photos by Sgt. Alexis R. Mulero Combat Correspondent

To get away from the daily work routines of MCB Hawaii, Kaneohe Bay, people sometimes must stretch their knowledge and abilities.

Kualoa Ranch offers a plethora of activities for servicemembers and their families to enjoy within its beautiful surroundings.

In ancient times, native Hawaiians knew that Kualoa was a special place. It was sacred land, revered in legends, which figured prominently in Hawaiian history. In 1850, King Kamehameha III sold Kualoa to one of Judd's descendants carry on the long tradition of stew- vehicle ride into the valley, where scenes from Jurassic ardship for this beautiful land.

Today, Kualoa Ranch provides a fascinating mix of agriculture, education, conservation and recreation. Covering nearly 4,000 acres on the windward side of Oahu, Kualoa Ranch is an oasis within the boundaries of the island that provides a variety of ways for people to enjoy and learn from this unspoiled Hawaiian paradise.

Horseback riding is the most popular recreation activity at the ranch. Several tour packages guide guests through the lush hillsides and expansive green valleys of the ranch. While riding, there are breathtaking scenic points overlooking the waters of Kaneohe Bay.

Riders experience the lush, green Hawaiian mountains of Kualoa via horseback.



Jurassic Park is one of many movies that have been filmed in the valley at Kualoa.

Park, Godzilla, Pearl Harbor and the not-yet-released war movie, Windtalkers were filmed.

"You can actually see Godzilla's footprints on the ground," said Mya Chang, a tourist from New York.

Besides horseback riding and ATV's, the ranch also provides more than eight other activities to fill anyone's day with knowledge of Kualoa Ranch and excitement for the whole family.

Those activities include trolley and helicopter rides, a gun range, wind surfing, scuba diving, jet skiing, a two-hour snorkel tour and tennis.

For more information on Kualoa Ranch activities and age restrictions for activities, or to make reservations,



Kualoa Ranch is filled with many scenic points, one of which over looks Chinaman's Hat. In the distance is the turtle-shaped Mokapu Peninsula, home to MCB Hawaii.

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Possibilities in Paradise

By Debbie Baker, MCCS Public Relations and Hawaii Marine Staff

JANUARY

Today

Mongolian Barbecue O'Club members, grab your guests and head to Mongolian Barbecue tonight. A barbecue medley will be served from 6 to 8 p.m.

Club members and their guests are welcome to attend.

For more details, call 254-7560.

SM&SP's Kauai Trip — All single, active duty members may register today through Feb. 8 for the Single Marine & Sailor Program's trip to the Garden Isle, Feb. 16 – 18.

For only \$275 per person, jet setters will receive airfare, shared accommodations and a rental car.

Seating is limited to the first 15 people, and a \$25

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(All events are open to single, active duty military.)

Upcoming Events Feb. 2: Take the Ultra Zone and Waikiki Night trip into high-tech combat action from 2 p.m. – 2 a.m. Cost is \$10 per person. Fee covers unlimited Ultra Zone games and transportation.

Feb. 9: Attend the Pro-Bowl Game & Tailgate Party. Cost is \$25 per person. It's open to all active duty single or junior enlisted personnel. However, participants must make a volunteer commitment to the SM&SP.

The tailgate includes BBQ, hotdogs, hamburgers, chips and sodas. Volunteers are limited to four tickets each.

Feb. 16-18: Plan to escape with the Kauai Getaway. Call for times and dates. Seating is limited. Authorized guests are welcome.

Oceanside Paintball

Let your "innerpredator" come out on Saturdays from 9 a.m. - 4 p.m. and Sundays noon - 5 p.m. Call for equipment rental fees, 254-7593.

SM&SP Benefits

You'll enjoy a host of benefits through the SM&SP at locations such as K-Bay Lanes and the Klipper Golf Course. Call 254-7593 for details.

deposit is required upon making reservations.

Call Dawn Williams at row. 254-7593, for more.

Pro-Bowl & Tailgate Party — Just \$25 per person gets all active duty military members an endzone Pro-Bowl ticket and Tailgate Barbecue Party, Saturday, Feb. 9.

The SM&SP will provide transportation to and from this event.

For more information, call Dawn Williams at 254-

26 / Saturday

Waikiki Night Out — Single, active duty military members can register now for the Single Marine and Sailor Program's Ultra Zone and Waikiki Night Out, scheduled for Feb. 2 from 2 p.m. – 2 a.m.

The cost of this excursion is \$10 per person and covers unlimited laser tag games at the Ultra Zone, plus transportation.

For more details, call SM&SP at 254-7593.

27 / Sunday

Relaxing Therapy — Recharge at the Semper Fitness Center, your total heath club in Bldg. 3037.

The comprehensive Semper Fitness Center offers aerobic and Yoga classes, massage therapy and full basketball and racquetball courts, cardiovascular machines, free weights and saunas.

Change your tomor-Work out today.

Call 254-7597, for more information.

28 / Monday

ETAP The next Executive Transition Assistance Program Seminar will go from Jan. 28 - 30, from 8 a.m. – 4 p.m. in Bldg. 3096, Room 1.

Spouses are welcome to attend.

Call Career the Resource Management Center at 257-7797, for more information.

Camp Smith Lunchtime Racquetball Camp Smith will host a Lunchtime Racquetball Tournament, Monday -Feb. 1.

This free event is open to all active duty servicemembers.

Participants may sign up now through Jan. 27 at Camp Smith, Bldg. 9.

Awards will be given to the top two competitors.

For more details, call 477-0498.

Double Coupon Day – Patrons wanting to save big should head to the Marine Corps Exchange Plantation Store and the MCX Annex Wiki Wiki Market.

Coupons will be redeemed for twice their face value. Some restrictions may apply.

Call stores for details: the Plantation Store, 254-3890; the Wiki Wiki Market, 254-7587.

29 / Tuesday

Bowling Scratch **Tourney** — Participate in the 2002 Hawaii Marine Intramural Scratch Bowling Tournament Jan. 29 through 31 at the K-Bay Lanes, Bldg. 1666, from 11 a.m. – 5 p.m.

Cost is \$30 per player.

Top bowlers will go on to compete against the Army, Air Force, Coast Guard and Navy in the Hawaii Military Tournament held in March.

For more bowling information, call the K-Bay Lanes at 254-7664.

Key Volunteer Training — Get Key Volunteer Basic Training Jan. 29 – 31, at the KV Center, Bldg. 3022, from 5:30 – 9 p.m.

Call 257-2410, to make reservations.

Coed Softball — Why don't you slide?

now hear this: The Intramural Softball league kicks off Jan. 29.

Teams may enter by sending their team roster to the Athletic Office in the Semper Fitness Center, Bldg. 3037.

Teams must include five men and five women.

For more information, contact Varsity Sports Coordinator Joe Au at 254-

30 / Wednesday

Youth Athletes Wanted Youth Activities will be accepting applications for Windward Community Federal Credit Union's youth wrestling, volleyball and inline hockey programs, now through Feb. 2. Call 254-7610, for more details.

31 / Thursday

Mega Video — It's Family Night at Mega Video. All family and children's movies will be only 50 cents, (not to include new releases).

Mega Video is located in the Mokapu Mall Courtyard.

For more mega movie information, call 254-7560.

FEBRUARY

2 / Saturday

Pro-Active Pet Owners Have Fluffy and Max had all of their vaccines?

The Base Animal Care Coed softball players Clinic makes it easy for pet owners to maintain their pet's health with a Saturday Pet Clinic from 8 a.m. – 1 p.m.

Patrons may make appointments by calling 257-3643.

The Animal Care Clinic is located in Bldg. 455.

3 / Sunday

Free Love – Get your "free love," during the Hawaiian Tennis Academy's "Topspin Smash."

Each Sunday February, all active duty military may sign up for free, professional tennis lessons held at the base tennis courts.

The Hawaii Tennis Academy will provide tennis rackets and balls; however, space is limited to 25 patrons each Sunday.

For more information or to sign up, call 258-8081.

22 / Friday

"Fiesta de la Colonel" The Colonels of Kaneohe Bay invite all O'Club members and their guests to catch the fiesta zest Feb. 22 at the O'Club.

For only \$5 per person, patrons may devour authentic Mexican morsels featured at the Taco and Fajita Bar and feast on assorted quesidillas, Spanish rice, Pico beans, beef empanadas and chrurros.

For more, call 254-7650.

Spray-n-wash



To fight the war against disease-carrying insects, Seamen Matthew Crooks, a platoon corpsman for Echo Co., 2nd Bn., 3rd Marine Regiment, sprays Marine utility uniforms in preparation for the battalion's upcoming Dedicated Training Period, this month.

Surf & Turf set for Feb. 2

Debbie Baker

Headquarters Bn. invites all authorized MCB Hawaii patrons to enter the HQBN Klipper Surf &

Turf 5k Run, set for Saturday, Feb. 2 at 7 a.m.

With a paid registration of \$15, participants will receive an exclusive race T-shirt, while supplies last.

Awards will be presented to the top three overall race finishers, as well as to the ty of life for Marines, Sailors and their top finisher in both the men's and women's categories.

The HQBN Klipper Surf & Turf 5k 254-7590 for more race information.

Race information packet may be picked up at the Semper Fitness Center, Bldg. 3037, Jan. 31 through Over the turf and through the surf, Feb. 1, from 9 a.m. - 4 p.m.

As part of the Commanding General's Semper Fitness Series, all

> petitors vying in the HQBN Klipper Surf & Turf 5k Run will cumulative points for their command.

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The run is organized by Marine Corps Community Services and sponsored Gatorade. All race

proceeds benefit the qualifamily members at MCB Hawaii.

Call the Semper Fit Athletic Office at



<u>"Rise & Shine" with a Fairways Breakfast in Mind</u>

· The Fairways is located in Bldg. 3088.

· Breakfast is served Monday - Thursday, from 7 to 10:30 a.m., and

Friday - Sunday, from 6 to 10:30 a.m. · Breakfast features eggs any style, pancakes, biscuits, bacon &

· All are welcome to dine at Fairways. Call 254-5592, for more.

MOVIE TIME

Prices: Adults (12 and older) \$3, Children (6 to 11) \$1.50, Children (5 and younger) free. Matinee prices are \$2 for adults and \$1 for children. Parents must purchase tickets for "R" rated movies in person at the box office for children 16 years old and younger.

For E-5 and below, admission is free to the second show on Friday and Saturday evenings only. Sunday evenings, the price is \$1 for all patrons. Please show your ID at the box office. Phone 254-7642 for recorded info.

Behind Enemy Lines (PG13) Out Cold (PG13) The Wash (R) Black Knight (PG13) Black Knight (PG13) Out Cold (PG13)

Spy Game (R)

Today 10 p.m. Saturday 7:15 p.m. Saturday 9:45 p.m. Sunday 3:30 p.m.

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Sunday 7:15 p.m. Wednesday 7:15 p.m.

SPORINE SPORTS

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Surfing servicemembers compete for top spot

Story and Photos by Sgt. Alexis R. Mulero Combat Correspondent

More than 100 servicemembers and family members gathered at the Waianae Army Recreation Center Saturday and Sunday to compete for bragging rights as the best military surfer in the United States.

The 2002 International Military Surfing Championships brought together Marines, soldiers, Sailors, airmen and Coastguardsmen from all over the world. Some participants were on Temporary Additional Duty orders and others were on leave to attend this event.

They came from as far away as Australia, Japan and the East Coast of the U.S.

The competition consisted of long and short board contests for four male and two female divisions.

"The level of competition becomes a secondary factor in this event," said Michael Fulcher, president, Hawaii Military Surfing Ohana. "Unlike many other events, this one mixes spirited competition with a whole lot of fun."



Steele Hooks, 14 months old, practices the proper way of standing on a surfboard before he learns how to swim.

Throughout the two-day competition, surfers struggled to find that "perfect wave" to pull way from their competitough

tors and take home the win.

"In spite of the small surf, it was a very rough competition," said John



A pair of female competitors ride into the shore on one of the small waves at the competition.

Kauffman, a native of Kailua and manager of the retail exchange annex at MCB Hawaii, Kaneohe Bay. "When it gets this small you have to have the right timing and a little luck to pull off the win"

Kauffman placed highest out of the Marine competitors.

"Surfing has a lot to do with how Mother Nature is smiling down on you during the competition'" said Kauffman.

Unfortunately for Kauffman, Mother Nature's waves didn't give him the points he needed to achieve military surfing supremacy.

He took home 3rd place among men over the age of 35, in both short and longboard events.

Many prizes were given away to both competitors and attendees.

"We gave away over \$5,000 worth of donated gifts including T-shirts and surf-boards," said Fulcher. "Nobody went home empty handed."



John Kauffman, a Hawaii Marine, paddled his way to a 3rd place finish in the 2002 International Military Surfing Competition.

Marine Corps receives honors at Winter X Games

Staff Sgt. Gregory S. Gilliam 6th Marine Corps District

ASPEN, Colo. — The third day of ESPN's Winter X Games VI brought honors and patriotism to Aspen as the Marine Corps Recruiting Command launched an all-out assault on the snow covered town.

Major General Jerry D. Humble, commanding general, MCRC, received a proclamation from the Mayor of Aspen, Helen K. Klanderud declaring Jan. 19 as United States Marine Corps Day. The general, in turn, presented Klanderud with a snowboard honoring the city for its hospitality and help with Marine Corps recruiting efforts.

The ceremony was held at the base of Buttermilk Mountain, the site of ESPN's Winter X Games VI. The ceremony followed a helicopter flyover during the opening of the third day of the games by a CH-53E Super Stallion, and AH-1W Cobra helicopters. The Super Stallion came from HMH-769 at Edwards Air Force Base, Calif., and the Cobra came from Naval Air Station Belle Chase, La. Skiers from Descente North America skied downhill carrying American, Marine Corps and X Games Flags. The skiers wore outfits



Gunnery Sgt. James Cohn

Major Gen. Jerry D. Humble, commanding general, Marine Corps Recruiting Command, presents a snow-board to Aspen, Colo., Mayor Helen Klanderud Saturday during the Winter X Games. Klanderud proclaimed the day to be Marine Corps Day.

similar to the digital camouflage uniform.

"We are trying to recognize the contributions of your organization," said Klanderud. "This is certainly not just recognizing the Marine accomplishments here in Aspen, but the accomplishments of Marines around the world."

The proclamation honored the efforts of the Marine Corps Recruiting Command and the Marines who

have defended the country for 226 years.

"This is a very exciting time to have the Marines here in Aspen and we are delighted the Marine Corps brought this equipment to Aspen," said Klanderud as she prepared to get inside of a Cobra helicopter flown in for the Games.

"We wanted to show off our extreme equipment here in Aspen at the X Games," said Maj. Gen.. Humble as he talked with reporters from ESPN. "We're at the X Games having fun."

Major Gen. Humble was on hand to view the X Games and the Marine Corps' involvement as an associate sponsor. He also talked with media and patrons who visited the site prior to visiting with recruiters who were working the enhanced area canvassing event in the X Games Interactive Village.

The recruiters were selected by Maj. Gen. Humble to participate in the event for their performance while on recruiting duty.

The General then presented medals to the winners of the UltraCross in front of thousands in attendance.

This is the sixth consecutive year that the Corps has been a sponsor of the leading event in extreme sports. The X Games conclude Jan. 20.

WORD TO PASS:

New VA Benefit Rates

President Bush has signed HR 1291, the Veterans Education and Benefits Expansion Act of 2001, into law, which increases certain benefits starting in February. For complete details, visit www.GIBill.va.gov.

Remember, Montgomery G.I. Bill benefits can be used by active duty personnel concurrent with use of tuition assistance. Each servicemember has \$3,500 available to fund 75 percent of tuition costs for approved schools, up to \$250 per semester hour.

To open an active duty TA account at MCB Hawaii, attend any Wednesday workshop at the Joint Education Center,

Bldg. 219, from 12:35 to 12:45 p.m.

Spouses are welcome to attend, to discover resources available on base and scholarships available through the All Enlisted Spouses Club.

Marine Corps Scholarships Available

The Marine Corps Scholarship Foundation is looking for students who qualify for Academic Year 2002-2003 scholarships.

Parents and students may review the Foundation's website at www.marine-scholars.org to determine eligibility and obtain an application packet.

Or write to the Marine Corps Scholarship Foundation; P.O. Box 3008; Princeton, NJ 08543-3008. The application deadline is April 1, 2002.

DECA's 2002 Scholarships

Military families with high school seniors and college students can shop at the Commissary for funds to help pay for the cost of higher education.

Visit www.commissaries.-com. to obtain an application for its Defense Commissary Agen-cy/Fisher House Foundation Scholarships for Military Children

Children Program. The deadline is Feb. 5, 2002.

FBI Recruitment

If you're interested in a career with the FBI, learn about requirements, Thursday at the Hickam Family Support Center, Bldg. 1105, from 11 a.m. to 12:30 p.m.

The FBI entry salary is \$39,204. Call Special Agent Kal Wong at 566-4488 to find out more. Call FSC at 449-2494.

Secret Service Recruitment

The U.S. Secret Service Uniform Division will host its recruiting seminar, Saturday, Jan. 26 at the Ala Moana Hotel, from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m.

Call 257-7790 for more.